Appointments in the Secretariat.

33. ***Mr. Paul A. Thaliath** (*Parur, Kunnatnad and Muvattupuzha cum Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the appointments made in the Secretariat in the years 1119 and 1120 of officers drawing a salary of Rs. 50 and above?

Mr. G. Narayanan Tampi: The time and labour involved in collecting the required information are out of proportion to its possible utility.

Mr. Paul A. Thaliath: In view of the statement from the Chair that caste-war statements of all appointments in Government will be published every year, I request that this and similar questions may be treated as not asked.

President: Thank you.

Statement, by caste, of the staff in the Secretariat.

34. ***Mr. Paul A. Thaliath**: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste of the staff in the Secretariat drawing a salary of Rs. 75 and above?

Mr. G. Narayanan Tampi: The time and labour involved in collecting the required information are out of proportion to its possible utility.

Statement, by caste, of officers in the Secretariat.

35. ***Mr. Paul A. Thaliath**: Will the Government be pleased to place on the table, a statement showing:

(*a*) the number of Secretaries, Assistant Secretaries and Superintendents in the Secretariat;

(*b*) the number of Catholics among them; and

(*c*) the number of Syrian Catholics among them?

Mr. G. Narayanan Tampi: The member is referred to the Quarterly Civil List.

Sale of timber for constructing buildings.

36. ***Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have reserved any portion of the timber from the forests in 1119 and 1120, fit for building construction, for sale to the subjects of the State for building construction purposes; and

(*b*) if the answer is in the affirmative, what percentage of the quantity removed is thus reserved and in what year?

Rao Bahadur T. V. Venkateswara Aiyar (*Conservator of Forests*): (*a*) No special reservation is made for sale of timber to subjects of the State. Monthly auctions are held at recognised depots and any person may purchase his requirements

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there. In addition, *bona fide* personal needs for construction of houses are met by special sanction of the Conservator of Forests as and when such demands are made and when they cannot be normally met by purchase at auctions.

(*b*) In view of the answer to part (*a*), this does not arise.

Punalur Paper Mills.

37. *Mr. A. N. Satyanesan : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there is any definite contract between the Punalur Paper Mills and the Government with regard to the running of the Paper Mills ;

(*b*) if the answer is in the affirmative, to lay on the table the papers containing such conditions included in the contract ; and

(*c*) whether fuel and similar forest products are supplied to the Paper Mills on favourably low rates by the Government ?

Rao Bahadur T. V. Venkateswara Aiyar : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The agreement will be available for inspection by the honourable member though it is necessary to keep it confidential in order that the information may not be availed of by competitors.

(*c*) Fuel and reeds are supplied at reasonable rates.

Mr. A. N. Satyanesan : ചോയ്സ്റ്റ് ആഫ് അർഡർ സർ. ഒരേസംഗതി വിശദമാക്കുന്നതിനു മുന്നു നാലു ചോദ്യങ്ങളുയച്ചാൽ അതിൽ ഒരു ഭാഗത്തിനുമാത്രം ഉത്തരം നൽകുന്നതു സംഗതി ഗ്രഹിക്കുന്നതിനു തടസ്സമായി തീരുന്നു.

President : But how does the question arise ?

Mr. A. N. Satyanesan : സർ, നാ ഒന്നാമത്തെ ചോദ്യത്തിനു ഉത്തരം നൽകിയിരിക്കുന്നു. അതിനോടു അനുബന്ധമുള്ള മുന്നു ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്കുകൂടി ഒരേസമയത്തു ഉത്തരം നൽകിയാലല്ലാതെ ...

Mr. K. G. Kunjukrishna Pillai : How is it a point of order, Sir ?

President : Yes, the honourable member will see that there is some point in what he says. It may, however, be that some questions may be answered straight away with the material available in the Secretariat or in the Government Offices. In the case of certain questions, information might have to be gathered from other sources, for instance, if a question is asked about the Punalur Paper Mills, information would have to be gathered from them.

Mr. A. N. Satyanesan : ആ നാ ചോദ്യവും പുനലൂർ പേപ്പർമില്ലിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ചുതായിരുന്നു.

ഈ വിഷയം മാറു വശവിഭവങ്ങളും കൊടുക്കുന്ന വിഷയത്തിൽ എന്തെല്ലാം സൗജന്യവ്യവസ്ഥകൾ ചെയ്തിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നു പറയാമോ ?

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